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**Town of Exeter
Swasey Parkway Trustees Meeting
February 22, 2023
5:00 PM
Approved Minutes**

1. Call Meeting to Order:

Chair Staples called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and introduced the members who were Present

2. Introductions:

Present were: Chair Dwane Staples, and Vice-Chair Darius Thompson

3. Public Comment

Chair Staples asked if there were any comments from the public at 5:00 PM and there were none.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2023

Chair Staples motioned to approve the January 18, 2023 meeting minutes. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 2-0-0.

5. Planting along fence behind Harris Center

Chair Staples noted they can't get in with the construction going on for the sewer placement. There is an original planting list which can be reviewed at the April site walk as to what materials to use substituting materials that are now considered invasive for native but non-invasive species.

6. Tree and Shrub Pruning

Chair Staples noted the tree pruning will be delayed due to the sewer project but will discuss shrub planting further at the site walk. Some shrubs should be removed. Chair Staples met with the contractor to target replacing invasives with flowering native plants which would attract wildlife and birds.

7. Sewer Project

Chair Staples reported he attended the construction meeting this morning and they completed the pilot hole. The project was delayed due to ledge and they have no definite end time but will have a better idea next week.

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39 Mr. Thompson asked if Exeter TV was documenting the project and how its done. Chair
40 Staples noted someone was filming the bore as it come out on the other side of the river.

41 **8. Fund Balances**

42 Chair Staples reviewed the fund balances and copied Mr. Thompson and Mr. Short (by
43 email). The maintenance fund was over and \$15,500 will be transferred to be returned to the
44 Town. The Town will fund Swasey with \$3,600 via Warrant Article this year which will go
45 back to maintenance.

46 Chair Staples indicated they were getting permitting fees and quarterly payments from the
47 Trust in Ohio.

48 Mr. Thompson raised concerns with the overage on the budget for electrical which is \$950
49 with costs over \$1,500 and the pavilion, which is owned by the Town, being used to generate
50 electricity to event applicants. He questioned whether this could be offset somehow. Chair
51 Staples will ask Select Board Representative Papakonstantis at the March meeting.

52 **9. Other Business**

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54 Chair Staples thanked Mr. Damsell for repairing the granite posts which were hit by a car on
55 Water Street. Mr. Damsell noted the pillars have shifted.

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57 **10. Next Meeting Dates**

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59 Chair Staples noted the next meeting is March 15th and he will notify the other members
60 where the meeting will be since they were not able to get the Novak Room for this meeting
61 and some meetings are site walks. Chair Staples noted that at the All Board's Meeting it was
62 discussed that the meeting schedule for the year should be submitted to Pam. The Trustees
63 agreed regular meetings would be the third Wednesday of each month except for November
64 when they open maintenance bids after Thanksgiving and there is no meeting in December
65 typically. Chair Staples will let Pam know their planned schedule.

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67 **11. Adjourn**

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69 ***Mr. Thompson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 PM. Chair Staples seconded***
70 ***the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.***

71 Respectfully submitted,

72 Daniel Hoijer
73 Recording Secretary
74 (via *ExeterTv.com*)